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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:
John T. Austin

Date: November 14, 2003

Serial No. 09/732,837

Group Art Unit: 2633

Filed: 12/07/2000

Examiner: Payne, David C.

For: HYBRID SATELLITE AND FIBER COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop NON-FEE AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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In re Application of: John T. Austin

Date: November 14, 2003

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Group Art Unit: 2633

Filed: December 7, 2000

For: HYBRID SATELLITE AND FIBER COMMUNICATION
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Examiner: Payne, David C.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for _____ months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated _____.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$ _____

An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. \$ _____

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

☒ The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS 10 minus	20* =	0 x	\$ 18.00	\$ 0.00		
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 4 minus	4** =	0 x	\$ 86.00	\$ 0.00		
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS		0 x	\$ 290.00	\$ 0.00		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:				\$ 0.00		

Charge \$0.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. **This form is submitted in triplicate.**

Respectfully submitted,

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RE: Serial No. 09/732,837, filed December 7, 2000; Inventor(s): John T. Austin
For "HYBRID SATELLITE AND FIBER COMMUNICATION SYSTEM"
Examiner: Payne, David C.; Group Art Unit: 2633
(Attorney Docket No. PD-990309); Confirmation No. 2999

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003, an amendment transmittal letter (in triplicate for charge purposes), an amendment and Supplemental IDS (cover letter in duplicate for charge purposes), PTO-1449 form and copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,963,862 listed thereon are transmitted herewith. Authorization to charge the necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation are provided in the respective transmittal letters.

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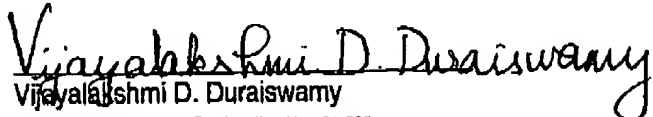
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Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California, in the amount of \$180.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to that account. **This form is being submitted in duplicate.**

Respectfully submitted,
John T. Austin

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Encl: Form PTO-1449 and copy of USP 5,963,862

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